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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A microfiche device for producing microfiche has a light source emitting a light beam for exposing during an exposure time a microfilm based on a data stream supplied to the light source by a computer. During exposure, a relative rotational or linear movement between the light beam and the microfilm is carried out. In order to generate the data stream, documents to be stored on microfiche are digitalized. The microfilm is exposed with the light beam line by line length-wise or width-wise for generating images of different sizes and formats on the microfilm.